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SUBJECT: CLOUDY FUTURE FOR PHARMAKINA

1. PHARMAKINA, LARGE GERMAN OWNED QUININE GROWING AND PROCESSING FIRM, HAS LONG BEEN ONE OF THE LARGEST ECONOMIC UNITS ACTIVE IN BUKAVU, EMPLOYING SEVERAL THOUSAND PEOPLE. UNTIL NOW, PHARMAKINA HAS BEEN UNTOUCHED BY ZAIRIANIZATION MEASURES OF NOVEMBER, 1973 MUCH TO SURPRISE OF OTHER LOCAL BUSINESSMEN.

2. COMMENT: IT APPEARS PROBABLE THAT PHARMAKINA LEFT ALONE SINCE ITS CHIEF EXECUTIVE, SCHNEIDER, FORMERLY HONORARY GERMAN CONSUL FOR KIVU PROVINCE, IS ALSO LEADING FIGURE IN ASINEZ, CONSORTIUM OF GERMAN FIRMS SET UP UNDER JANUARY, 1974 AGREEMENT WITH GOZ SIGNED IN COLOGNE. PRESUMABLY OTHER FIRMS IN ASSINEZ WERE WATCHING CLOSELY TO SEE WHAT HAPPENDED TO PHARMAKINA BEFORE MOVING AHEAD WITH THEIR PLANS. END COMMENT.

3. PHARMAKINA HAS NOW RECEIVED TAKE-OVER LETTERS FOR TWO OF ITS QUININE PLANTATIONS. MANY RUMORS CIRCULATING LOCALLY THAT
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ADDITIONAL TAKE-OVERS ARE IMPENDING. SOME SPECULATE THAT ALL

PHARMAKINA PLANTATIONS WILL EVENTUALLY BE ZAIRIANIZED, LEAVING
FIRM HOLDING ONLY LOCAL PROCESSING PLANT. PHARMAKINA HAS NO
COMMENT ON THESE RUMORS.

4. COMMENT: ONE STRONG POSSIBILITY IS THAT ZAIRIAN AUTHORITIES
HAVE NOTED RETICENCE OF OTHER FIRMS IN ASSINEZ TO MOVE AHEAD
RAPIDLY WITH INVESTMENT PROJECTS. AUTHORITIES MAY ALSO BELIEVE
THAT RECENT NATIONALIZATION MEASURES HAVE FURTHER REDUCED LIKLIHOOD
OF SUBSTANTIAL FOREIGN INVESTMENT. IF THIS CORRECT, THERE WOULD
APPEAR TO BE LITTLE REASON FROM ZAIRIAN POINT OF VIEW NOT TO
MOVE TO END HITHERTO PRIVILEGED STATUS OF PHARMAKINA.
IT APPEARS TO CONSULAT THAT SCHOULD PHARMAKINA BY ZAIRIANIZED
CHANCES OF FURTHER SIGNIFICAN GERMAN INVESTMENT IN NE
ZAIRE WOULD BE REMOTE AT BEST.
END COMMENT.
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